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COMMERCE FOR MAJOR PROJECTS

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TAGS: EINV, BEXP, MR, KU, US

SUBJ: MAURITANIAN STEEL AND COPPER PROJECTS

REF: A) NOUAKCHOTT 864; B) NOUAKCHOTT 870

1. EMBOFF DISCUSSED MAURITANIAN STEEL AND COPPER PROJECTS SHORTLY BEFORE REFTELS WERE RECEIVED WITH KUWAITI ENGINEER WHO IS INVOLVED WITH REVIEW OF DOPOSALS BEING SUBMITTED BY FOREIGN COMPANIES. HIS REMARKS TEND TO CONFIRM INFORMATION CONTAINED REFTELS. ENGINEER TOLD EMBOFF THAT COPPER REFINERY PROJECT WAS BOGGED DOWN. HE SAID RECENT DROP IN WORLD COPPER PRICES HAS DAMPENED ANY ENTHUSIASM INTERNATIONAL COMPANIES MAY HAVE HAD TO COME INVOLVED WITH MAURITANIAN PROJECT. HE SAID STEEL PROJECT BIDS -- WE THINK HE WAS REFERRING TO PELLETIZING PLANT -- ARE CURRENTLY BEING REVIEWED. KUWAITI SOURCE ANTICIPATES THIS WILL TAKE COUPLE OF MONTHS.

2. AS FAR AS WE KNOW KUWAITI GROUP LED BY KUWAIT FOREIGN TRADING, CONTRACTING AND INVESTMENT CO. IS QUITE INTERESTED IN HELPING FINANCE MAURITANIAN PROJECTS, ASSUMING ECONOMIC FEASIBILITY EXISTS AND GOOD FOREIGN PARTNERS CAN BE BROUGHT INTO VENTURE. RECENTLY ALLIS-CHALMERS REPS WERE
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STEEL PROJECT.

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